A New Era for AST in Ontario

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Ontario Active School Travel



Green Communities



Who we are





















A new era, a new program

- Ontario Active School Travel
- Formerly Active & Safe Routes to School
- \$3.5 million over 3 years



Goal:

Make walking, cycling, and other forms of active & sustainable transportation the new norm for school trips in Ontario.





Why does it matter?

Active school travel makes a difference.



HEALTHIER CHILDREN



LESS TRAFFIC & POLLUTION



SAFER SCHOOL ZONES



BETTER ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE







The Fund

- Application-based funding, municipal & education collaboration
- \$30k \$100k per grant
- Focus on elementary (K-8)
- School Travel Planning
- Round 1: \$1.15 m
 - Leeds Grenville Lanark, Ottawa, Peterborough, Hamilton, London, Niagara, North Bay, Thunder Bay, Wellingto-Dufferin-Guelph, Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo
- Round 2: Fall 2018



School Travel Planning PLANNING PHASE Identify school champion and confirm school participation Assess Conditions Complete school travel profile, walkabout, surveys, traffic counts 5 E's Enforcement Ongoing School Create School Monitoring & Travel Plan **Evaluation** Travel Plan Education, Encouragement, Enforcement, Engineering, Evaluation MAINTENANCE PHASE **IMPLEMENTATION PHASE**



STP Toolkit

- Everything you need to implement School Travel Planning
- 5 Phases
- New edition coming soon
- Webinar: 31 May

Canadian School Travel Planning Facilitator Guide





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Bike to School Week







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